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MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
DIRECTORS OF THE ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY OF THE
PACIFIC, HELD IN THE ROOMS OF THE SOCIETY, ON
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 1899, AT 2 P.M.

Mr. BURCKHALTER presided. A quorum was present.

The purpose of the meeting being the Third Award of the Bruce Gold Medal, the letters received from the Directors of the six nominating Observatories were submitted by the Secretary. After a careful consideration of the recommendations contained in these letters, the selection of the Medalist was made by ballot, and the following certificate of bestowal was signed by all Directors present :—

SAN FRANCISCO, November 25, 1899.

THIRD AWARD OF THE BRUCE MEDAL.

We, the undersigned Directors of the Astronomical Society of the Pacific, hereby certify, that, in accordance with the Statutes for the bestowal of the Bruce Medal, a special meeting of the Board of Directors was held this day, at 2 o'clock P.M., for the purpose of awarding the medal for the year 1900; and that, the provisions of the Statutes relating to its bestowal having been complied with, the medal was awarded to—

DAVID GILL,

for Distinguished Services to Astronomy, by the consenting votes of eleven Directors.

Signed: CHAS. BURCKHALTER W. W. CAMPBELL (by proxy),
CHAS. B. HILL (by proxy), JAMES E. KEELER (by proxy),
E. J. MOLERA, ROSE O'HALLORAN, GEO. C. PARDEE (by proxy),
C. D. PERRINE, WM. M. PIERSON, OTTO VON GELDERN (by proxy), F. R. ZIEL.

Adjourned.

In answer to a letter addressed to Dr. GILL, notifying him of the action taken by the Directors, the following letter of acceptance was received :—

ROYAL OBSERVATORY, CAPE OF GOOD HOPE,
January 11, 1900.

F. R. ZIEL, Esq., *Secretary Astronomical Society of the Pacific*:

My Dear Sir: I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 1st January, 1900, stating that your Board of Directors has awarded to me the Third Bruce Gold Medal of the Astronomical Society of the Pacific.

Permit me in reply to express the gratification which the acceptance of this medal affords me, because of the distinguished names of the previous laureates, the excellent Statutes which regulate its bestowal, and the unanimous character of the award.

Above all, I value this medal as indicative of good will and kindly feeling on part of American Astronomers towards me,—feelings which, believe me, I most sincerely reciprocate.

Yours very sincerely,

Signed: DAVID GILL.